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Federal Court Judge Newman Refuses Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus.

APPEAL TAKEN BY LAWYERS

Decision on Motion for Reference to U. S. Supreme Court to Be Given on Monday.

ATLANTA, GA., December 19.-Leo inuary 22 next for the murder

908, requiring a Federal judge in ranting an appeal in habeas corpus roceedings to issue a certificate statg his opinion that there was proba-e cause for an appeal, was brought the court's attention in chambers, nd he informed the attorneys that s would hold his decision on the mat-r in abeyance until Monday.

The writ was sought on the ground at Frank's constitutional rights were clated in that he was "involuntarily osent" from the courtroom when the ordict was announced. Attorneys enry C. Peeples and Harry A. Alexanser, on Frank's behalf, argued that the eorgia State courts lost jurisdiction of the case when he was defield the ordical throughout France. The movement will take the form of a sale of a little field that the case when he was defield the ordical tricolor flag. The proceeds will be devoted to the relief of Bellian tricolor flag. ght to face the jury at the culmina-on of his trial. They declared that rank is being deprived of his liberty nder a conviction and judgment which ev contended were rendered vold by eason of the trial court's action. They rgued that the question was not one nvolving the State courts' procedure, in the streets, out one for the jurisdiction of the Fed-Special flags ral courts

GROUNDS UPON WHICH WRIT IS SOUGHT Argument on a petition for a writ of beas corpus for the release of Frank as begun in the United States Dis-

rict Court here to-day before Judge V. T. Newman. The grounds upon which the writ was sought included al-egations that Frank was convicted and that he was involuntarily absent om the courtroom when the verdict

The further allegation was made hat the prisoner was denied a fair nd impartial trial, that the trial was ominated "by a mob hostile to Frank, hich unduly influenced and intini-ated the jury by a demonstration within and without the courtroom." also alleged that the State by reason of Frank's absence verdict was returned, lost

Attorneys Henry C. Peeples and Harry Alexander argued the motion in behalf of Frank. Warren A. Grice, Attorney-General

of Georgia, and Solicitor-General Hugh M. Dorsey, who conducted the prosecu-tion of Frank, were in court prepared to contest the issuance of the writ. Mr. Peeples, in his argument, de-clared various State Supreme Courts and the United States Supreme Court had held that the right of a defendant, charged with a felony to be present at every stage of his trial could not

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT
OF FRANK IS VIOLATED "This constitutional right of Frank was violated," Mr. Peeples asserted, "because, at the instance of the State, through the trial judge, Frank was prevented from being present when the verdict was read, owing to the court's fear of violence to the defendant and his counsel." The lawyer said the habeas corpus proceeding was the las resort in the courts to save the life of a prisoner who had exhausted every

other remedy to have the question of his constitutional rights reviewed. Attorney Alexander argued that the decision of the State Supreme Court which held Frank could not set out the constitutional question in a motion to annul the verdict, because it was not made in his criginal motion for a trial, did not bar the Federal courts from considering that constitutional question.

Mr. Alexander argued that the Georgia court's decision did not prevent the Federal court's jurisdiction in habeas corpus proceeding of a question of denial of a defendant's right to due process of law in his trial and con-

"The State courts lost jurisdiction over Frank's case when the trial court denied him the right to be present in the courtroom when the verdict was rendered," declared Mr. Alexander. The conviction and sentence of Frank therefore, are a nullity, and we claim that Frank is being deprived of his liberty without due process of law; that he is being held on a void judgment, and that the Federal court has jurisdiction in a habeas corpus proceeding, to consider whether Frank should be released from cus-

The attorney asserted the question was not one of State court procedure. Numerous decisions were cited in support of his contention. The constitu-tional question, he declared, never has

CERTIFICATE REQUIRED
BY LAW ENACTED IN 1908

WASHINGTON, December 19 .- A Federal law enacted in 1908 requires that a Federal judge in granting an appeal in habeas corpus proceedings issue a certificate stating that in his opinion "probable cause for an appeal" exists.

The law reads:
"From the final decision by a court of the United States in a proceeding in habeas corpus where the detention complained of is by authority of process issued out of a State court, no appeal to the Supreme Court shall be illowed unless the United States Court by which the final decision was ren-dered, or a justice of the Supremo Court, shall be of opinion that there exists probable cause for an appeal, in which event, on allowing the same, the

ARMY BILL AGREED UPON

Iny Declares Measure Closely Follows

WASHINGTON, December 19.—The army appropriation bill, aggregating \$101,000,000, agreed upon to-day by the House Military Committee, carried a special fund of \$15,000 for United States military observers in Europe.

The bill closely follows the War Department's estimate. "We gave them

partment's estimate. "We gave them practically all they asked for," said Chairman Hay, referring to appropriations for ammunition and other materials for defense.

Increase of twenty-five regiments in the regular army was proposed by a bill introduced by Representative Anthony. It would authorize the organization of five additional regiments of artillery, five of cavalry and affect of infinity, and would receive the regiments of artillery, and would receive the regiments of artillery.

Infantry, and would repeal the law limiting the army to \$100,000 men.

Appropriation of \$400,000 for aviation and \$50,000 for armored automobiles, in view of the use of the latter in the European war, are included in the bill.

CHORUS GIRLS IN REVOLT

BELGIAN SUNDAY IN FRANCE

Proceeds from Sale of Fings Will Be Devoted to Relief of Refugees.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]

Special flags are to be sent to the allied sovereigns. President and Mme. Poincare received their flags to-day and each paid 1,000 francs (\$200).

#### FOR EXEMPTION OF BELGIUM

Williams Would Not Require Literacy Test During Next Five Years.

WASHINGTON, December 19 .--WASHINGTON, December 19.—An amendment to the immigration bill to except from the proposed literacy test for the next five years Belgians seeking a home in the United States was introduced to-day by Senator Williams. No action was taken.

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Senator Stone had spoken for making an exception in favor of those persecuted for race as well as for religion. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, opposed that on the ground the one who drew religious persecution showed possession of a high moral fibre, while the same could not be said of one persecuted for race. Senator Williams declared Senator Stone's proposal would admit a flood of ignorance.

WOMAN NAMED AS JUDGE

Miskourl Governor's Act Without Pre-

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., December 19.—A woman to-day was appointed probate judge by Governor Elliott W. Major, an act without precedent in the memory of State officials. She is Miss memory of State officials. She is Miss Frances Hopkins, and will preside over Clay County Probate Court, sur

the Clay County Probate Court, succeeding her father, Judge Lewis G. Hopkins, who died yesterday.

Miss Hopkins will hold office until a special election is held within the next few months to choose her father's sucbe waived by the prisoner or his coun-

### ITALY STRONG FOR PEACE

Premier Declares Absolutely False Any Announcement of Mobilization.

### WANT MILITARY TRAINING

### BAN ON STUDENT DRINKING

Supreme Court Affirms Conviction o Ann Arbor Saloon-Keeper,

ANN ARBOR, MICH., December 19 .affirming conviction of Lawrence By affirming conviction of Lawrence Damm, an Ann Arbor saloon-keeper, found guilty of selling liquor to Uni-versity of Michigan students, the State Supreme Court to-day placed the ban The statute forbids sale of liquor to any student in attendance at any public or private institution of learn-

### MANY IDLE IN CALIFORNIA

ing," said Justice Ostrander.

Inquiry Reveals Thousands More Me

SACRAMENTO, CAL., December 19.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., December 19.

"If you are looking for a job, don't come to California."

This warning was issued here to-day by the California Commission on Imnigration and Housing, which after ar nvestigation has found there are thousands more men Plans have been completed for registration of unemployed and it is anyounced that Californians will be given preference.

# DOCTOR ARRESTED ON COCAINE CHARGE

Prescribed Illegal Quantities for Patients.

ance in Police Court To-Morrow.

Dr. J. W. Williams, a practicing physician, with offices at 401 East

"The chorus girl," says this letter, "has always been held up lightly in the eyes of the public, and we feel that by supervising the style of advertising we will be able to impress the public with our sincerity in the work of our chosen profession."

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sufficient amount of cocaine within the last nineteen days to supply the medical needs of all the hospitals in the car needs of an the nospitals in the city for a year. They said that his prescriptions to patients during the last four or five months called for an amount of the drug sufficient to meet will take the form of a sale of a little Relkian tricolor flag. The proceeds will be devoted to the relief of Belgian refugees.

Ten million of these flags have been sent to the Prench provinces and 4.500,000 have been distributed in Paris and suburbs. Ten thousand pretty French girls will take up collections in the streets.

Special flags are to be sent to the allied soveralizers. Parallel soveralizers Prench girls will take up collections in the streets.

heriquarters following his arrest, and was allowed ball there by Justice of the Peace Purdle, who wrote the warrant for his arrest. This is the first case of the kind with which the Richmond police have had to deal. Dr. Williams, in his talk with Major Werner, professed ignorance of the law in respect to prescribing cocaine for patients. He secured William M. Justice, Jr., as his attorney, and is expected to fight the charge.

NO DIFFICULTY IN SECURING
COCAINE ON PRESCRIPTION
Evidence secured by the police is to the effect that the majority of the patients who have been in the habit of securing the drug on prescriptions written by Dr. Williams are young men between the ages of twenty-one and twenty-four years. They are said to have found no difficulty in securing
Speaker Cox. of the House of Delegates. Licutenant-Governor Ellyson, a warm personal friend and for many years an associate in political life of Mr. Echols, will attend the funeral.

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The delegation named by Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson, a warm personal friend and for many years an associate in political life of Mr. Echols, will attend the funeral of Nelson; Senators William A. Rine-hart, of Alleghany; F. S. Tavenner, of Shenandonh; John Paul, of Rocking-hart, of Alleghany; F. S. Tavenner, of Shenandonh; John Paul, of Rocking-hart, of Alleghany; F. S. Tavenner, of Shenandonh; John Paul, of Rocking-hart, of Alleghany; F. S. Tavenner, of

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2. Lumpkin, who was arrested on a harge of forging the doctor's name to a prescription for an amount of the drug. This case began the investigation which resulted yesterday in the arrest of the physician. It is also said to have begun investigations in other to have begun investigations the po-directions, and, according to the police, may result in sensational de-velopments before the matter is con-

geries of the Lumpkin kind recently, PROMINENT IN PUBLIC L. B. Miles, Jr., and a negro known as Pluto have been arrested on charges

Nearly 500 Princeton Students Ask for tention to the law which governs the prescribing of cocaine and which led PRINCETON, N. J., December 19.—
Princeton University may have a course of military instruction during the second term, if plans now under way take definite shape. The movement started with a student petition to the faculty requesting that such a departure be made. A committee of the faculty announced that if a sufficient number of students was behind the movement it would report favorably. Nearly 500 students have signed the paper, and it looks now as if the course would be begun in February.

prescribing of cocaine and which led to the careful writing of the warrant against Dr. Williams. The Chief of Police said that it was necessary to prove that, at the time the prescription was written, there existed in the mind of the physician the intention that the drug be used for unlawful purposes. This is due to the fact that the law recognizes the fast that a habitual user of the drug requires many times the amount which would suffee, in a medicinal way, for the personnel. son who was using it for the first time The intent is generally proven by the knowledge of the person who secures the drug and the amount prescribed. PAMPHLET TELLS OF TREATMENT

OF COCAINE USERS Dr Williams, in a pamphlet which detectives found in his office, has had printed after his name, in practically every case where it appears, the phrase, Medical College of Virginia. He claims to be a fellow of the Virginia State Medical Society, a fellow of the King William Medical Society and a fellow of the American Medical Association. A number of testimonials were given purporting to have been written by former patients, testifying to the cures Dr. Williams had effected in the treatment of morphine, cocaine and alcohol users. Extracts from a number of medical journals and newsapers, testifying to the thoroughness f his treatment, are also printed in this leaflet. DETECTIVES RAID ALLEGED

COCAINE JOINT ON BROWN STREET Detective Sergeants Krengel, Atkinson, Wiltshire and Bailey early this morning raided the place of Pompey Flournoy and Willet Crump, both colored, at 1421 Brown Street, and arrested the negroes on a charge of illegally selling cocaine. Several persons were

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SENATOR ECHOLS

W. Williams Said to Have Was Chairman of State Tax Commission and of Senate Finance Committee.

of Virginia With Governor J. Hoge Tyler.

State Senator Edward Echols died at 9:10 yesterday morning at his home in CHORUS GIRLS IN REVOLT

The page in April, 1913, of Mary Phagan, was refused a writ of habeas corpus by Federal Judge W. T. Newman here to-day. A motion was immediately made by Frank's attorneys, requesting an appeal from to-day's decision to the would give a decision on this motion on Monaday. A motion with respect to being "sensationalized" by Mary Porks. Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, December 19.—Broadanting Newman announced he would give a decision on this motion on Monaday. And so they have gard to the appeal, and it was at first announced that Judge Newman had granted it. The judge stated to-hight, however, that he announced at the close of the hearing that he was "inclined" to fit the hearing that he was "inclined" to supervise of the public, and we feel that by supervising the style of advertising the style of advertising was stated, the Federal law enacted in we will be able to impress the public has decision on the motion on Monaday.

CHORUS GIRLS IN REVOLT

Franklin Street, was yesterday after-noon arrested at his home, 401 Gov-about a month. For several days his error Street, by Detective Sergeants at his home, 401 Gov-about a month. For several days his error Street, by Detective Sergeants and bailed on a page from to-day's decision to the weak grant charging him with "unlawful-health, but his friends had grown used to have from the substance of the same, the said Dr. J. W. Williams, who was taken down about a month. For several days his error Street, by Detective Sergeants and them. For wears he had one expected at any time. Provers he had not been in good habitual users of the same, the said Dr. J. W. Williams' sent the first for such habitual users of the same, the said Dr. J. W. Williams' sent to the dramatic editors along Park and the said Dr. J. W. Will Franklin Street, was yesterday after- Staunton, where he had been ill for

tention in one way or another.

SAY HIS PRESCRIPTIONS WOULD
HAVE SUPPLIED WHOLE HOSPITAL.

Detectives last night said that patients of Dr. Williams had secured a sufficient amount of cocaine within the last nineteen days to supply the medical needs of all the hospitals in the

Senator Echols's funeral will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock from Trinity Episcopai Church, Staunton, and the interment will be in Thornrose Cemetery, Telegrams have been reand the interment will be in Thornrose Cemetery. Telegrams have been received from all parts of the State and from outside the State expressing sympathy with the family, and there will be many from a distance to attend the funeral.

TO BE REPRESENTED AT FUNERAL

The General Assembly will be repre-sented at the funeral of Senator

have found no difficulty in securing cocaine once they were able to get the prescription.

Attention of the police was called to the alleged operations of Dr. Williams some time ago in the case against O. D. Lumpkin, who was arrested on a charge of forging the doctor's name charge White, of Rockbridge, and S. M. Page,

As a mark of respect to the memory of the State Senator and former Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia, Governor lections, and, according to the po-lice, may result in sensational de-elopments before the matter is con-linded.

There has been an epidemic of for-eries of the branching of for-row.

Announcement of Mobilization.

ROME, December 18 (delayed in transmission).—The Senate adjourned to-day after a unanimous manifestation in favor of peace. Premier Salandra expressed the hope that as 1815 had marked the conclusion of peace after the Napoleonic War, so would 1915 be marked by lasting peace, in which Italy would acquire yet more glory and greatness. He declared absolutely false any announcement of Italy's mobilization.

WANT MILITARY TRAINING

SALE HAS REACKED

SERIOUS PROPORTIONS

The police would not say last night that there is a wholesale traffic in the drug in Richmond, but admitted that there is a wholesale traffic in the drug in Richmond, but admitted that there is a distinguished lawyer, legislator and orator, who served gallantly in the War Between the States, rising to the rank of a major-general in the Confederate service. General Echols's wife was Mary Jane Caperton, of the well-known Caperton family of West Virginia, and a woman of fine mental attainments. From both parents Edward Echols in herited the qualities of mind and heart there is not at least one person father's strong personality, suavity and that there is not at least one person father's strong personality, suavity and arrested on a charge of selling cocaine, eloquence of his mother's tender re-Major Werner last night called at-

which led PREPARED AT WASHINGTON

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY Edward Echols spent his early boyhood in the country, his youth in Staun-ton. He attended preparatory schools in Staunton and Lexington, then entered Washington College, now Washington and Lee University, where he remained three years. He left college in 1871 to take a law course at the University of Virginia. University of Virginia.

Mr. Echols began the practice of law, his chosen profession, in Staunton immediately after leaving the university. He became in a short time a prominent figure of the local bar, and, in May, 1880, he was elected Common-

SERVED STATE AS

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ALMOST COME TO BLOWS

Each Other, When Colleagues

for Reforms Demanded by Post-

Office Department in Connection

With Appropriation Bill Adopted.

WASHINGTON, December 19 .-- After

wo days of hot words, which culmi-

nated to-day in exchange of invita-

tions to personal combat between Rep-

resentatives Heffin, of Alabama, and Moon, of Tennessee, the House adopted

a special rule to consider legislation for reforms demanded by the Post-Of

face Department in connection with the annual postal appropriation bill.

A defection of Democrats from the leaders yesterday defeated a similar rule, which provided for consideration of ameniments.

there was some influence at work that prevented the adoption of this rule, re-

quested by the administration. Was it the influence of postmasters, or rural carriers or of the railroads?"

Representative Hellin declared that "no railroad had influenced him," and declared Representative Moon's crit-

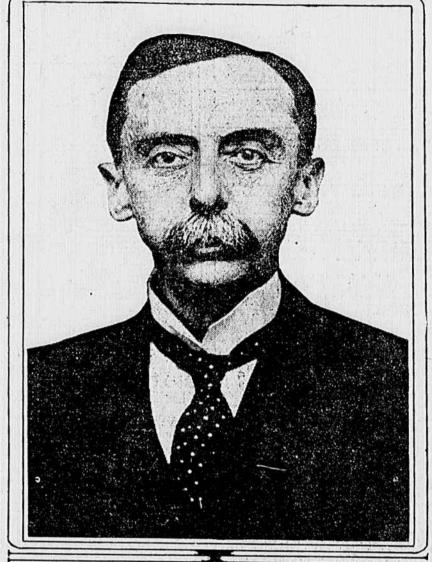
Representative Ragsdale, of South

Carolina, said that "when the gentle-

cism "unjustified and unwarranted.

service for the rural delivery

DIES AT HOME IN STAUNTON



a. Edward Echols as

KIDD HELD RESPONSIBLE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

Hustings Court Jury Brings Verdict Moon and Heffin Advancing Toward of Three Months in Jail and

INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER ENDS BITTER DEBATE IN HOUSE ceived in Midnight Joy Ride on West Grace Street in Kidd's Au-

Leo M. Kidd, charged with being responsible for the death of Miss Pauline the V. Thorpe, 11071/2 South Randolph Street, who was fatally injured in an automobile accident at Belvidere and Clarence Howdyshell, O. D. Lumpkin, I. B. Miles, Jr., and a negro known as Pluto have been arrested on charges of forging the names of physicians to prescriptions for various amounts of the drug. Their cases have been continued from time to time by the police, who were working on the more imporant portions of the cases. Howdyshell and Lumpkin, were patients of Dr. Williams, and it was his name they are alleged to have forged to prescriptions.

\*\*LIFE FOR MANY YEARS\*\*

The death of Senator Edward Echols removed from public life in Virginia slaughter, the jury bringing in a verdict of three months in jail and a fine of \$500. The verdict was brought in shortly before 8 o'clock, after the jury had been considering the case for more than an hour. Some time before that the jury made a written inquiry of the judge, asking whether it would be legated to impose a fine of \$1,000 without Grace Streets on the night of Septemof \$500. The verdict was brought in of amendments decreasing postmasters' shortly before 8 o'clock, after the jury salaries, elimination of assistant posthad been considering the case for more masters, experimental substitution of imposing a jail sentence. Judge Rich. ardson called in .counsel-Common-wealth's Attorney Minetree Folkes and Attorney L. O. Wendenburg, who represented the accused—and read the resented the accused—and read the question to them, and then answered in the affirmative. Mr. Wendenburg immediately took exception to the answer, and it was noted in the record of the case.

MOTHER AND SISTER OF

The courtroom was filled during the day, and most of the morbidly curious day, and most of the morbidly curious and untrue." Mr. Moon challenged him day, and most of the morbidly curious and untrue." Mr. Moon challenged him crowd remained to the end. The accusto make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed announced. Mr. Wendenburg immediately offered a motion that the verse distributions and untrue." Mr. Moon challenged him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed his willingness to do so. The two Reprinted the motion that the verse distributions and untrue." Mr. Moon challenged him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed his willingness to do so. The two Reprinted him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the House, and Mr. Heflin expressed him to make the same comment of the floor of the floo dict be set aside as being contrary to the law and evidence, and asked that hearing on the motion be continued to January 7, so that both sides could investigate the law har bearing on the motion be continued to January 7, so that both sides could investigate the law hearing on the motion as AS ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE vestigate the law bearing on the subject. The continuance was granted, and the prisoner was admitted to bail gentleman as absolutely untrue," declared Representative Heffin, referring to Mr. Moon's statement that Democrats the reliable bad "here".

KIDD TAKES STAND IN

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After serving six years in the House, he was elected Senator from Ninth District. This position he held with great credit to himself and his district for eight years. During his career in the General Assembly he was regarded as one of the best debaters in the legislative body. He was not a "talking time to attract attention and that he told J. M. Whitehurst, his other companion, to telephone for another automobile in which to take Miss Thorpe home. He had no idea of deserting her, but did not want the matter to be aired in the newspapers. He referred to Miss Thorpe affectionately, and said that they had been engaged for some time. Guy Barnes, of 109 West Canal Street, testified that he heard G. W. Meredith, and McKellar, of Tennessee, stephed between them, and order soon was restored. Representative Moon said he had no along the said he did not charge corruption in the total divise.

Striding toward the Alabama Representative.

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"I am willing General Assembly he was regarded as one of the best debaters in the legislative body. He was not a "talking member." He spoke rafely, but he was almost always in his seat. When he rose to speak he commanded undivided aftention.

Guy Barnes, we testified that he heard G. W. Meredith. Chauffeur of the taxicab with which Kidd's machine cellided, say after the accident that he, Meredith, had "a few on that night." and was running at a rate of 'twenty-five miles an hour without of 'twenty Senator Echols was his argument on the "Miller bill" for regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors, a speech in which he took pardonable pride and which was widely published. TATE AS

Kidd had been drinking, but that he was not drunk. But R. Butler, of 620 North Sixth Street, and J. R. Manning. Mr. Echols soon became so favorably of 623 East Broad Street, testified that Mr. Echols soon occame so invorably known in Virginia that he was hominated with comparatively no opposition in 1897 for Lieutenant-Governor on the Democratic ticket with J. Hoge Tyler, Mr. Echols served four years as president of the accident they saw Whitehurst pass a flask of liquor to the girl, and that they called out, "Give us a drink."

## AGAINST RUSSIANS German Report Only Says Pursuit of Enemy Continues.

FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO CROSS VISTULA RIVER

Muscovite Forces Continue Operations in East Prussia and at Cracow.

ALLIES GAIN GROUND IN WEST

Offensive Being Pushed With Considerable Force in Flanders.

### Successes Claimed by Both in West

I N the offensive operations of the allies in the western war arena, interesting features are the loss in the neighborhood of Neuve Chapelle of several of the trenches recently captured by the British, and an advance by the East Indians toward Richebourg L'Avouc, as reported in the latest French official communication. This statement also Indicates that the Germans have not been lacking in the official control of the control of been lacking in the offensive. It records, in addition, the annihila-tion of a German column at Lihons.

In the east the situation is still in doubt, According to the official statement from Petrograd, the Germans have been repuised in an attempt to cross the right bank of the Vistula River, in Poland, and fighting in the Bzura River district is developing. Regarding the victory which Germany was reported to have won in Poland, Berlin remains silent. In the east the situation is still

Austria claims important su cesses in the battle at Limanowa, Galicia, where 26,000 Russians a said to have failen into their hands.

A Berlin dispatch says that Em-peror William has paid a visit to the wounded soldiers in the hospital at Potsdam, which would indicate the Emperor's recovery from his illness, the nature of which has not been definitely known.

A late dispatch from Posen gives an official report from army head-quarters of the east that Von Hin-denburg's army captured Lowicz on Friday, after heavy fighting for several days, thus compelling a fur-ther retirement of the Russian

The Kings of Norway, Denmark and Sweden, having held a confer-ence at Malmo on the subject of an agreement for the safeguarding of their interests from the little their interests from the Euro war, have returned to their capitals.

LONDON, December 19 (10:45 P. M.) It is believed Berlin's celebration of a great German victory in Poland possibly was premature. All that German headquarters says of the battle there in to-day's report is that the pursuit of the enemy continues.

The Russian official report to-night says engagements on the left bank of the Vistula have been nothing more than outpost affairs. In these the Russians would seem to have been as

service, increased salaries for rural carriers, changes in the compensation provisions for cutting postmasters; salaries, abolishing assistant postmasters, and the rural service substitution scheme eliminated.

A speech by Representative Moon, after defeat of the original rule, in which he intimated that some "rail-road influence" had operated to shift Democratic votes, caused a bitter debate to-day. Representative Hellington and untrue. paid railroads for carrying the mails and other reorganization plans of the

this was rrustrated by the Russian ar-tillery and by the seizure of the pon-toon bridges.

Despite the desperate work facing

them in North Poland, the Russians continue operations in East Prussia and against Cracow, while in Western Galicia they are taking positions along the Dounaetz River, in an attempt to stop the advance of the Austro-German AS ABSOLUTELY UNTRUE

SORTIE MADE BY PART OF PRZEMYSŁ GARRISON

Part of the Przemysl garrison has made a sortie in force, in an attempt to open the railway to the southwest, and is giving battle to the Russian besieging army.

With the Germans strongly in-

trenched and the ground in bad con-dition, the allies' offensive movement in Beigium and France is making slow progress. At several points, however, the French official report records the capture of German trenches. The offensive is being pushed with considerable force in Flanders, and from the Belgian border south to the Piccola. Belgian border south to the River Oise,

where the line turns eastward.

The Germans keep up violent counterattacks, and, by these and the use of mines, in some cases have pre-vented the allies from following up their advantage.

Similar tactics are being adopted by both sides along the rest of the front, with gains and losses in fractions of The allies have brought up an enormous weight of artillery, which they are using to clear the way for the infantry. GERMANS PREPARING

FOR POSSIBLE RETIREMENT A message from Antwerp to the Am-sterdam Telegraaf asserts that the Germans, preparing for a possible re-tirement, are constructing a line of defense across Belgium, from the Scheldt along the Dendre River to Maubeuge, on the French frontier. This, if true, might be considered only

men charge that there is rallroad iniluence enough on the Democratic side
of the House to defeat this legislation.
I don't believe it, and I repudiate it."

This, if true, might be considered only a measure of precaution.

The German cruisers which raided the east coast of England sowed a large mine field. In addition to the

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